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## NEW YORK GOAT INVENTORY INCREASES

New York total goat inventory on January 1, 2010 increased from a year earlier, according to Stephen Ropel, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office. Milk goats totaled 13,000 head for January 1, 2010, a 3 percent decrease from the previous year. Meat goats totaled 35,000 head for 2010, 8,000 head above the 2009 total.

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2010, totaled 3.04 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.53 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. Does one year old and older, at 1.87 million head, were 1 percent below last year's number. All market goats and kids totaled 518,000 head, down 2 percent from a year ago. Kid crop for 2009 totaled 1.94 million head for all goats, down 1 percent from 2008.

Mohair production in the United States during 2009 was 1.01 million pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 160,500 head. Average weight per clip was 6.3 pounds. Mohair price was \$2.66 per pound with a value of 2.69 million dollars. The information in this release is available by free email subscription by subscribing to New York reports at [www.nass.usda.gov/ny](http://www.nass.usda.gov/ny).

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